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Spring Creek Fire Found in Wyoming Range

Kemmerer, Wyo., August 15, 2019 – On August 14, firefighters responded to a new fire located on the Kemmerer Ranger District of the Bridger-Teton National Forest. The Spring Creek Fire, located 2.5 miles east of La Barge Creek Guard Station in the Wyoming Range, was determined to be human caused.

The Spring Creek Fire is approximately 0.5 acres in size, and is burning in heavy dead and down timber. Fire managers develop a strategy for every fire, which includes tactical decisions specific to each incident. Because this fire was determined to be human caused, a full suppression strategy will be implemented.

Firefighters manage for multiple objectives, and, in this case, objectives include safety of people and property, and the safe and effective utilization of firefighting resources. Local resources responding to this fire included Helicopter 35HX, and engines 671 and 411 chase. This fire currently remains under investigation. There are no road or trail closures as a result of this fire.

West Zone Fire Prevention Technician, Angie Crook, reminds forest visitors that fire danger is currently "HIGH", and everyone is strongly encouraged to be aware of the dry conditions, particularly on these hot, windy afternoons. Extra caution with campfires and warming fires is warranted in these conditions. Please make sure all fires are completely extinguished prior to leaving the area by pouring water, stirring, feeling for heat, and repeating until you are certain that your fire is extinguished.

Please report unattended fires by calling Teton Interagency Fire Dispatch at 307-739-3630.

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